# AT YOUR LIBR@RY!

Issue # 7

#### Hayward Public Library

Winter 2014



The Great Debate: Environmental Justice Friday, December 5 10:00 am-3:00 pm Main Library Chabot College, the City of Hayward, and Hayward Public Library will host the second annual "Great Debate."



tales of love, loss and redemption.

Ramana Vieira Presents Portugese Fado Saturday December 13, 2-3 pm Main Library

Learn about and discuss the theme of environmental justice with Chabot College students, elected officials, and community leaders. Come to the Main Library for performances, speeches, discussion groups, and interactive activities led by Chabot College students. Additional events will take place in downtown Hayward starting at 9 a.m., and will culminate in The Great Debate in the City Council Chambers from 3 to 5 p.m.

For more information or to become a participant, contact Chabot College Director of Forensics Jason Ames, (510) 723-7438 or james@chabotcollege.edu.

Ramana Vieira has been described by Mundo Portugues newspaper as the "New Voice of Portuguese World Music." Ramana and her group will perform traditional, ballad style fados that pay homage to the "Queen of Fado," Amália Rodrigues, along with uptempo compositions from their 2010 album, Lagrimas de Rainha, and new compositions written and arranged for their upcoming album, Windows of Luso Sol.

Fado, the most widely recognized music of Portugal, is a passionate, soul stirring music with soaring vocals and dramatic



# Living With Local Wildlife Saturday January 10, 2:00-3:00 pm Main Library

Learn about some of our wild neighbors in this up close encounter with local wildlife. Miranda Britton, a naturalist with the Sulphur Creek Nature Center, will **bring common animals** that you could see in your

very own backyard, including a skunk, opossum, bat and owl! Learn about some of their behaviors and how you can coexist with the animals at this fun and informative program.

### What! Sharks in My Backyard? Saturday February 7, 1:00 -2:00 pm Main Library



Sea level rise for the Hayward shoreline is projected to be as much as 55" by the year 2100. At this level 80,000 East Bay residents are expected to be directly affected by floods and inundation. The SF Bay Estuary – our region's most defining geographic feature – may be even closer to your backyard in the not-so-distant future. How will the impacts of sea level rise affect us? What will be our response? Join naturalists from the Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center in this lively and interactive community discussion.

# Hayward Library's Second Annual Prom Dress Swap Needs Your Dresses!

Make some extra space in your closet this spring by donating your no-longer-needed formal/bridesmaid/ party dresses, shoes, and accessories – and help a local teen attend her prom! Bring your gently used dresses and accessories to the Weekes Branch, or Main Library between Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. Dresses should be current, recently cleaned and in excellent condition – all sizes and styles are welcome. For more information, or to donate, please contact:

Main LibraryBecky510-293-3332email rebecca.machetta@hayward-ca.govWeekes BranchRob510-293-5065email rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov



**Main Library** 

835 C St Hayward, CA 94541 Phone: 510-293-8685 **Weekes Branch Library** 

27300 Patrick Ave Hayward, CA 94544 Phone: 510-782-2155 **Library Hours** 

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 11 am - 8 pmThursday, Friday, Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Website: http://library.hayward-ca.gov

Email: library@hayward-ca.gov

# CHILDREN AND FAMILIES



Ages 3-5 Tuesdays 11:30 am **Preschool Stories** Main Library

1 hour of stories, songs, and crafts to help children get ready for preschool.

Tuesdays 6:30 pm **Bedtime Stories** Weekes Branch All ages

Bring the whole family for stories, songs, and more beginning January 7th!

Wednesdays 11:15 am Rhythm and Rhyme Main Library Ages 1-6

45 minutes of stories, songs, music and rhymes

Thursdays 11:30 am **Preschool Stories** Weekes Branch Ages 3-5

1 hour of stories, songs and crafts to help children get ready for preschool

Music & Movement Weekes Branch All ages Fridays 10:30 am

A morning filled with music, songs, rhymes, dancing, laughter, and a sticker or two!



Learn and Play Group Ages 0-36 months

A one-hour child/caregiver program that helps children practice early literacy skills and social interaction with thirty minutes of songs, stories, and rhymes, followed by thirty minutes of constructive play time. Registration is required, and

Weekes Branch Mondays 11:15-12:15 pm

space is limited.

Main Library Thursdays 10:15 - 11:15 or 11:30 - 12:30 Fridays, 11:15-12:15

Call 510-293-3302 for registration information

Call 510-881-7945 for registration information

We're taking a break! There will be no storytimes from Dec 22, 2014 - Jan 3, 2015. Storytimes will resume on Mon, Jan 5th.



Looking for more fun things to do?

Check out FREE passes to local museums by visiting http://library.haywardca.gov

Aprende y Juega En Español Edades Nacimiento - 5 años

Un programa para niños y padres/guardianes para ayudar a los niños a desarrollar habilidades de lectura de edad temprana e interactuar socialmente. Media hora de historias y canciones, seguido por media hora de jugar.

> Se requiere registración. Sesiones duran 8 semanas. Llame al 510-881-7943 para más información.

Biblioteca Principal Sucursal Weekes lunes jueves 1:00-2:00 pm 1:00-2:00 pm

Yoga for Families:

Nurturing Connection through Movement, Song, and Play Presented by Alexis Azzam, MA, IMF, Certified Child and Family Yoga Teacher

Fridays, 10:15-11:00 am Feb 13, 20, 27 & Mar 6 Main Library Ages 2-5 accompanied by a caregiver



A caregiver and toddler yoga workshop where parents will support their children in guided song and movement. Children will learn yoga poses through story and games, playfully developing skills for improving listening, flexibility, motor development, circulation, and sensory integration. Parents will learn techniques for connecting nonverbally to their little ones through sound and physical touch. This program is provided in partnership with Family Paths.

Registration Required:

Please email Kavita.sagran@hayward-ca.gov to register.

Happy Birds Performing Parrot Show Saturday, January 17th 11:00 am Main Library 1:00 pm Weekes Branch



Watch parrots performing amazing tricks such as riding a bike, riding a scooter, roller skating, playing basketball, opening drinks, skateboarding, talking, singing songs, and much more! These parrots have appeared on television shows such as Animal Planet's "Pet Star," "The Ellen Show," and "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno."

#### Family Game Night Unplugged!

Friday, December 5th 5:30-8:30 pm Weekes Branch

Join us for an evening of board games, puzzles, and crafts for the whole family! Bring your own games, or play ours.

Adults must be accompanied by a child. For more information call 510-293-5366 or email rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov.

Parents or another responsible adult must remain with children at all times, including remaining in the meeting room during all storytime sessions. Children may never be left unattended or unsupervised in the Library.

After School Crafts

Lego in the Library Ages 5+ Wednesdays, 2-3 pm Weekes Branch Jan 21 & Feb 18



Show off your skills and build, build! We'll provide the Legos, you provide the creativity!

Get Your Game On! Ages 5+ Wednesdays, 2-3 pm Dec 10, Jan 14 & 28 Feb 11 & 25 Weekes Branch



Challenge your friends and family! Wii and X-Box 360 Kinect games on the big screen!

Wednesdays

2:15-2:45 pm

Ages 5-11

January 7

Weekes Branch

T-Shirt Tote Bags

Turn an old t-shirt

into a reusable bag.



February 4 Valentine Flower Pot Turn a plastic cup into a Valentine flower pot.

**Holiday Creations** Saturdays 10:00-11:00 am Ages 5-11 Main Library





December 13 Santa's Workshop Make ornaments to hang on your tree or to give to Grandma.

February 7 Valentines Workshop Make some love-ly crafts for friends and family

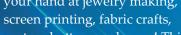


### **EVENTS FOR TEENS**

Teen DIY Fest! Friday, January 30th 6:00-9:00 pm Weekes Branch

Grades 7-12

Join us at the Weekes Branch Library for our first-ever teen do-it-yourself craft fest. Try your hand at jewelry making,



custom buttons and more! This program is

free, and open to students in grades 7-12. Current school ID, or other valid identification required for admission. For more information call 510-293-5366, or email rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov.

**Teen Activity Zone** 7th - 12th Grade Wednesdays 1:15-3 pm Main Library

Play games, make crafts, enjoy some snacks, or just hang out with your friends.

Presented in partnership with the

Hayward Area Recreation District (HARD)

Teens Take Over Lucky #13! Friday, February 27 6:00-9:00 pm Weekes Branch Grades 7-12



Feeling lucky? Join us at the Weekes Branch Library for our 13th

teens-only after hours party featuring big-screen gaming, dancing, internet computers, crafts, snacks and more! This program is free, and open to students in grades 7-12. Current school ID, or other valid identification required for admission. For more information call 510-293-5366 or email rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov.



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and help a local teen attend her prom! Bring your gently used dresses and accessories to the Weekes Branch, or Main Library between Saturday, January 24th and Friday, March 27th. Dresses should be current, recently cleaned and in excellent condition – all sizes and styles are welcome.

For more information, or to donate, please contact

Main Library Becky @ 510-293-3322 or email rebecca.machetta@hayward-ca.gov

Weekes Branch Rob @ 510-293-5065 or email rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov

**Teen Advisory Group (TAG):** Help the library better serve you, and earn community service hours! Help plan teen library programs; choose books, mu-

sic and movies, and more! Oh, and snacks did we mention snacks? Open to grades 7-12.

Main Library Mondays, 4-5 pm Dec 8th, Jan 12th & Feb 9th

Weekes Branch Wednesdays, 4 - 5 pm Dec 3rd, Jan 7th & Feb 4th

For more information, call Becky @ 510-293-3322 or email

For more information, call Rob @ 510-293-5065 or email rebecca.machetta@hayward-ca.gov rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov



Check out ebooks and downloadable audiobooks from your library! Visit www.library.hayward-ca.gov to learn more.

### **Learn Something New**

#### Lawyer in the Library

Main Library
Saturdays
Dec 6, Jan 3 & Feb 7
Noon-2:00 pm
and
Mondays
Dec 1, Jan 5 & Feb 6
6:00-7:45 pm

Weekes Branch Wednesdays Dec 17, Jan 21 & Feb 18 6:00-7:45 pm

Get 15 minutes of FREE legal advice from a licensed attorney.

Registration begins 30 minutes before the first session and must be done in person. Space is limited, and consultation is assigned by lottery.

Lawyer in the Library is sponsored by the Alameda County Bar Association.

Knitting Circle Wednesdays 6:30 pm Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11 Main Library





Friends of the Library Booksales 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Stop by the Friends of the Library book sale on the corner of Watkins and C Street for great deals on books for kids, teens, and adults!

100% of proceeds support library programs

### Writers' Group Main Library

Wednesday, December 3

Wednesday, January 7th

Saturday, January 31st

Tuesday, February 10th

6:15-7:30 pm

2:00-4:00 pm

6:15-7:30 pm



Get feedback on your original writing in a peer-supported writers' group facilitated by Ali Eteraz, noted Bay Area author of *Children of Dust: A Portrait of a Muslim as a Young Man* (2009), and forthcoming short story collection: *Falsipedies and Fibsiennes*. Get the support you need to help you stay on track with your writing, whether it's fiction, non-fiction, or poetry. Bring 5-10 copies of the piece you wish to share with the group.

Writers' Group Public Reading with Featured Author Ali Eteraz Saturday, February 21 2:00-4:00 p.m. Main Library Participants of the Library's Writers' Group will present samples of their work, along with featured author and group facilitator Ali Eteraz, who will read from *Children of Dust: Portrait of a Muslim as a Young Man* 

(2009), and Falsipedies and Fibsiennes (2014).

Upcycled Book Bead Bracelet Craft Saturday, February 14 1 pm-2 pm Weekes Branch



Laughter Yoga Saturdays Dec 6, Jan 3 & Feb 7 3:00 pm Main Library



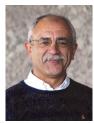
Using beads made from the pages of old books, make a beaded bracelet for yourself or to give to someone special. Supplies will be provided, just bring your creativity.

See how silliness is great for your health! Studies show that laughter can reduce stress, increase happiness, and improve respiration.

### Discusión de Libros en Español



Como Agua Para Chocolate Laura Esquivel Sábado, 29 de Febrero a las 2, La Biblioteca Principal



Acompañe al Concejal de Hayward y Profesor de español Francisco Zermeño para una discusión en español de "Como Agua Para Chocolate".

Como Agua Para Chocolate es terrenal, mágico y

absolutamente encantador, este relato de la vida familiar en el México finisecular se convirtió, con la mezcla acertada de romance doloroso e ingenio agridulce, en un fenómeno de best-seller. La clásica historia de amor se sitúa en el rancho De la Garza, mientras la dueña tiránica Mamá Elena corta cebolla en la mesa de cocina durante sus últimos días de embarazo. Aún dentro del útero de su madre, la futura hija llora tan violentamente que causa un parto prematuro y la pequeña Tita nace entre las especies para preparar sopa de fideos. Este temprano encuentro con la comida pronto se convierte en una forma de vida. Tita se convierte en una chef maestra y, a lo largo de la historia, comparte puntos especiales de sus recetas favoritas con los lectores.

### **Mystery Book Discussion**

Tuesdays, 11:30 am, Le Paradis Bakery (D St & Mission). For more information call Heidi (881-7975) or email Heidi.ontiveros@hayward-ca.gov



Plum Pudding Murder Joanne Fluke **Tuesday December 2** 

The Christmas season provides the backdrop for best-Joanne Fluke's seller

sprightly 12th Hannah Swenson holiday mystery. When Hannah, the proprietor of the Cookie Jar in Lake Eden, Minn., stops by the Crazy Elf Christmas Tree Lot one night to pick up a check, she discovers the body of the owner, Larry Jaeger.

Cozy fans will cheer as Hannah survives a hair-raising confrontation with the killer to present an elegant Christmas eve banquet. Tempting recipes range from Hot Fudge Sundae Cakes to Triple Threat Chocolate Cheesecake Pie.



The Bat Jo Nesbo Tuesday January 7

In the first of Nesbo's Harry Hole series, Harry is in Australia as a consulting

detective on a murder case. In what will become his signature, Harry spots the signs of a serial killer at work and follows a convoluted trail with an obsessiveness that puts not only himself but all those around him at risk. This wrenching, emotionally charged tale, which features a fascinating take on the lives of Aboriginals in contemporary Sydney, reveals how Harry develops into the respected detective in this long-running series.



Aunty Lee's Delights Ovida Yu Tuesday February 3

This delectable mystery introduces Rosie "Aunty" Lee, feisty widow, amateur sleuth, and proprietor of

Singapore's best-loved restaurant, Aunty Lee's Delights. When a body is found in a tourist haven and one of her guests fails to show at a dinner party, Aunty Lee knows that the two events are likely connected. Investigators Police Commissioner Raja and Senior Staff Sergeant Salim quickly discover that Aunty Lee's sharp nose for intrigue can sniff out clues that elude law enforcers. Wise, witty, and charming, Aunty Lee's Delights is a spicy mystery about love, friendship, and food in Singapore.



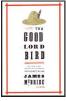
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### **Mostly Literary Fiction Book Discussion**

Mondays, 6:30 pm, Main Library - or - Thursdays, 12:00 pm, Eko Coffee Bar For more information, please call Sally at 510-881-7700 or email sally.thomas@hayward-ca.gov



Hundred-Foot Journey Richard C. Morais Mon, Dec 8, 6:30 pm **Main Library** Thurs, Dec 11, 12 Noon **Eko Coffee Bar** 



The Good Lord Bird James McBride Thurs, Jan 8, 12 Noon **Eko Coffee Bar** Mon, Jan 12, 6:30 pm **Main Library** 



My Brilliant Friend **Elena Ferrante** Mon, Feb 9th, 6:30 pm **Main Library** Thurs, Feb 19, 12 Noon Eko Coffee Bar

Brimming with the colors, flavors, and scents of the kitchen, The Hundred-Foot Journey – recently adapted for film starring Helen Mirren and Om Puri - is a succulent treat about family, nationality, and the mysteries of good taste. The hundred-foot distance that the unlikely gourmand Hassan Haji travels between his family's Indian kitchen and a traditional French one, and the adventures that follow, is a testament to destiny. A fable for the ages, this charming novel is compulsively readable.

of Water comes the story of a young boy born a slave in the Kansas Territory who joins the legendary abolitionist John Brown's antislavery crusade-and who must pass as a girl to survive. An absorbing mixture of history and imagination, The Good Lord Bird - winner of the 2013 National Book Award for Fiction - is both a rousing adventure and a moving exploration of identity and survival. (Watch for the film adaptation starring Liev Schreiber and Jaden Smith.)

From the bestselling author of The Color A modern masterpiece from one of Italy's most acclaimed authors, My Bril*liant Friend* – the first in a trilogy – is a rich and generous-hearted story about two friends, Elena and Lila. Ferrante's meticulous portrait of two women is also the story of a nation and a touching meditation on the nature of friendship. Through the lives of these two women, Ferrante tells the story of a neighborhood, a city and a country's momentous transformation.

## Seed Lending Library & Gardening Programs

Free Workshops @ Main Library - for all ages! Call 510-881-7980 to register, when noted.

### Herbal Teas and Dream Pillow Workshop Saturday, December 13, 3:30 p.m.

Back by popular demand, Viviane DeLeon will identify herbs that you can plant in your own garden that can help reduce anxiety and increase relaxation to help you sleep and dream. Make small herbal dream pillows and sample herbal tea blends that will help you relax. (Registration required.)



Seed Savers' and Gardeners' Club Wednesday, January 28 @ 6:30 p.m.



Join community members who share a love of gardening to share success stories about your garden, get tips on solving problems you have faced, and find out how you can help support the seed lending library as it continues to grow.

Create a Pollinator-Loving Garden Saturday, January 17, 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to create a garden that will attract and sustain bees, butterflies, and other pollinators threatened by urban landscapes that provide fewer natural habitats. Plant seeds in your gar-



den that will draw pollinating insects, and learn how to support innovative Bay Area initiatives like pollination corridors, Bee Hotels, and more! Led by Tora Rocha, parks supervisor for the City of Oakland and founder of the Pollinator Posse, a volunteer group that hand rears butterflies at Lake Merritt to increase survival rates. Inspect a variety of interesting and unusual insects and caterpillars up close and personal, on loan from the Insect Sciences Museum of California.

### Herbal Delights Workshop Saturday, February 14 @ 2:00 p.m.

On Valentine's Day, love is in the air, so why not start with you! Learn about herbs that nurture, sooth, and stimulate our loving energy. Viviane DeLeon will teach you how to make an herbal massage oil and herbal tea bag for the bath. Relax and say ahhhhh.... (Registration required.)

The Seed Lending Library is a community seed exchange. "Check out" vegetable and flower seeds to plant in your garden. In return, harvest some of the seeds from mature plants for your own use and for sharing with the Seed Lending Library. It's easy to become a member or volunteer - learn more @ <a href="http://hayward-ca.gov/seeds">http://hayward-ca.gov/seeds</a>. Sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library.

### **Nonprofit Resource Center**

Working with their partner, the Foundation Center, the Hayward Nonprofit Resource Center provides access to funding information, technical assistance and resource development training for nonprofit (501(c)3) organizations serving the people of Hayward, helping these organizations to build their capacity and become more financially sustainable. The Center's liaison librarian gives individual assistance to on using the vast database provided by the Foundation Center to find grant funding. The Center also presents workshops on topics of special interest.



For more information about the Nonprofit Resource Center please call Trudy Toll at <u>Trudy.toll@hayward-ca.gov</u> or call her at (510)881-7974.

### LITERACY PLUS - SERVICES FOR ADULTS

# Mow to Get Free One-on-One Tutoring



Do you or someone you know have trouble...

- ... reading to a child?
- ... reading the paper?
- ... filling out job applications?

Literacy Plus can help.

A trained tutor can teach those who qualify one-to-one, for free.

You can get free tutoring if:

- · You are 18 or older
- · You are out of high school
- · You can speak English
- · You read below 8th grade level
- You never went to college
   To find out more, call 510-881-7910 or email
   literacyplus@hayward-ca.gov

### English Conversation Circles

Practice and improve your English conversation in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Classes are FREE! No registration is needed and drop-ins are welcome. For more information, please contact Literacy Plus at 510-881-7910.

Main Library Weekes Library
Fridays Saturdays
3:30 - 4:30 pm 10:15 - 12:00 noon

Day Labor Center 680 Tennyson Road Mondays -Thursdays 5:00-7:00 pm

#### **Become A Literacy Plus Tutor!**

Literacy Plus is accepting applications for volunteer tutors to help adults improve their basic literacy skills, increase their knowledge, and to help develop their potential. New tutor orientation will be held on January 5th and January 13th, 2015. We are also seeking volunteers to assist adults learning English and to help improve their conversational English skills. Volunteers must be 18 years old

For more information or to learn how you can get involved, please contact Literacy Plus, 510-881-7910 or email Literacyplus@hayward-ca.gov.

### **Volunteering at the Library**



Volunteers are a valuable resource at the Hayward Library, enhancing library services by performing jobs not ordinarily handled by staff. Volunteer opportunities at the library include:

<u>Literacy Plus Tutor</u> - provide free, confidential, one-to-one literacy tutoring to adults who read below 8th-grade level.



<u>Senior Outreach Volunteer</u> - select and deliver library materials to homebound Hayward residents, involving one to two hours every two to three weeks.

<u>Friends of the Library</u> - involves a variety of activities, principally book sales to raise funds for Library services, newsletter mailings, and promoting the Library in the community.

Homework Support Center - help students with their homework after school, Monday through Thursday.

Special Projects - includes light clerical work, washing books, special library service projects

Sign up to volunteer by completing an application form at the Information Desk at either library. You will be called to discuss your schedule, interests, and talents to find a match with the tasks needing attention. Please note: all adult volunteers must pass a background check and be fingerprinted before beginning their volunteer service.

Community Service Hours - volunteer hours needed for education-related community service credit are sometimes available. You may be on a waiting list before you are called. Volunteer hours for court-ordered community service credit are not available.

### **Judy's Jottings**

#### ...from the Friends of Hayward Public Library.

"A library in the middle of a community is a cross between an emergency exit, a life-raft and a festival. They are cathedrals of the mind; hospitals of the soul; theme parks of the imagination. On a cold rainy island, they are the only sheltered public spaces where you are not a consumer, but a citizen instead"

— Caitlin Moran

As our new library slowly comes to fruition I view it as a pillar in our community—literally, a cathedral of the mind, a hospital for the soul, a theme park for the imagination, a space where we are not consumers but enthusiastic citizens. I believe we are moving into an exciting new era for our city with our state-of-the-art 21st Century Library and Community Learning Center serving as the new anchor.

Now is your opportunity to be part of this exciting change in Hayward. The Friends of the Hayward Library will be focusing on expanding our membership in the spring and we hope that each of you will bring in a new friend who shares the vision of a city moving into the 21st century with a facility that does it proud. We want Friends who are movers and shakers in Hayward, who are avid readers, super tutors, computer novices and experts, artists, storytellers, hard workers, library cheerleaders, who love our community and are eager to improve it—who want to make the library the heart of Hayward and Hayward the heart of the Bay.

With this in mind, we have some openings on the Friends Board. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at the Main Library from 6:15 to 7:45. Our

meetings are friendly exchanges of ideas where we plan ways to make our library even better. We expect that

every Board member will actively work toward this end.

In addition to new Board members we need more volunteers to help sort books—yes we do get LOTS of donations every week and can barely stay ahead of the boxes and bags brought in by eager library patrons and community members. And we need more volunteers to serve as cashiers at our Saturday sales. These sales are on the second and fourth Saturday from October to April and from May to September we have sales on the second, third and fourth Saturdays. They are from 9:00 to 1:00 on the library lawn at the corner of C and Watkins Streets (opposite the Farmers' Market). Cashiers work 2-hour shifts and are responsible for taking money and keeping the sales area tidy. We are planning to build up our cadre of cashiers in anticipation of opening our bookstore in the new library and hopefully eliminating the Saturday sales. This means that we will need volunteers to run the store all the days and hours that the library is open. So if you like to sell and meet some very interesting people this is the job for you! Contact Muriel Sampson, volunteer coordinator, 510-487-9595 or e-mail her: msbooksandbears@sbcglobal.net.

"A good library is a place, a palace where the lofty spirits of all nations and generations meet" - Samuel Niger(1883-1956) And your Friends group is leading the charge to build this palace for all generation

### **Important Dates**

**Library Closures** 

Wed, Dec 24 & Thurs, Dec 25 Wed, Dec 31 (Library open 10-2) Thurs, Jan 1 Mon, Jan 19 Thurs, Feb 12 Mon, Feb 16

# Commission and Board Meetings

### Library Commission Mondays, 6:20-7:20 pm

Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm Main Library

#### Friends of the Library Wednesdays, 6:30 pm

Main Library

## **Literacy Council Meetings** Tuesdays, 5:00 pm

City Hall

#### **City Council Meetings**

1st, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays 7:00 pm City Council Chambers, City Hall

#### **Hayward Youth Commission**

Mondays, 6:30 pm Room 2A, City Hall

#### Connect with us on Social Media!



facebook.com/ HaywardPublicLibrary



@HaywardLib



flickr.com/photos/ HaywardLibrary

#### Blind Date with a Book Monday January 12th - Saturday February 14th

Get set-up with your "blind date" by visiting either the Main Library or Weekes Branch between Monday, January 12th and Saturday, February 14th. Select your



special book from the display table of wrapped books in the lobby. Check it out at the self-check machine (no peeking!) and take it to a coffee shop, on a picnic, or even home to meet mom. After you've unwrapped it and read it, fill out the "Rate-a-Date with a Book" card and tell us if this was a match or a miss. We want to hear all about those "perfect matches" or "not even if this were the last book on earth."

#### **Senior Outreach Service**



Calling all seniors and people with disabilities!
If you're unable to come to the

library, sign up to have library materials delivered to you! For more information, to register, or to volunteer, contact Trudy at 510-881-7974 or email Trudy.toll@hayward-ca.gov.